# CARTWELL ARTHUR

# **COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT

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P. MICHAEL FREEMAN FIRE CHIEF FORESTER & FIRE WARDEN

February 6, 2007

TO:

**EACH SUPERVISOR** 

FROM:

P. MICHAEL FREEMA

### **RELEASE OF TWO CL-415 SUPERSCOOPERS**

This is to inform your Honorable Board of the release of our two leased CL-415 SuperScooper firefighting aircraft. Due to the recent precipitation and a rise in the live fuel moisture, the SuperScooper aircraft were released on January 31, 2007 to the Government of Quebec.

The lack of rain and continued Santa Ana wind cycle required our Department to extend the SuperScoopers' lease an extra 30 days this year.

The Department had adequate funding and spending authority in the current budget based on the Board's previous contract approval in November 2005.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, you may contact me at (323) 881-2401.

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